



ORDER OF WORSHIP

PENTECOST 14  
September 15, 2019  
**10:30am**



## The Rewards of the Kin-dom

### ~ OUR MISSION

TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE  
BY LIVING THE TEACHINGS OF JESUS:

showing mercy,  
promoting justice,  
offering forgiveness,  
acceptance, and hope.

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(\*\* indicates rising in body or spirit as you are able)  
(The congregation reads together the words in bold print).

**Prelude:**

**Welcome + Work of the Church**

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

**\*\*Singing:** VU 401 *Worship the Lord*

**\*\*Call to Worship:**

There is a moment in our lives when,  
if we stop to listen,  
the whole world begins to vibrate with the hints of wonder.

**God speaks in that moment.**

To such a time, we have come.

**Let us celebrate new life in our family,**

**Reflect on who we are and where we have been.**

Let us worship our living God.

**\*\*Opening Prayer:**

Potter God, you are our holy creator,  
ever shaping and reshaping us.

**You are not restricted by our physical limitations  
or confined by our material substance.**

**Time and again, you rework us to be more fully your holy people.**

**Time and again, you recreate us**

**so that we may more fully mirror your holy life.**

**Today, in your house, help us to be witnesses to your work  
and listeners of your holy word. AMEN.**

**Singing:** We Thank You God for Teachers\* ~ *words by Carolyn Winfrey Gillette*

**1. We thank you, God, for teachers**

**Who help us learn your Way,  
Who show by their example  
How we can serve and pray,  
Who find great joy in worship,  
Who listen with concern;  
For in their loving witness,  
They help us want to learn.**

**2. We thank you, God, for children**

**And older people, too,  
Who value times of learning  
And want to grow in you,  
Who seek your precious kingdom  
And wisdom from above;  
For wise ones of all ages  
Still seek to learn your love.**

3. We thank you, God, for families  
Of every kind and size,  
Who keep the vows they spoke when  
Their children were baptized,  
Who pray and read the Bible,  
Who love and serve the poor;  
They teach, by what they value,  
The way of Christ our Lord.

4. We thank you, God, for churches  
That welcome one and all,  
That nurture every person  
In answer to Christ's call.  
So fill us with your Spirit,  
And give us life anew,  
That we may help each other  
Live faithfully in you

### Time for All Ages

Singing: VU 958 *Halle, Halle, Halle*

### Minute for Mission

### Offering Invitation

Music during the Offering: Shelter in the Storm      *words & music by Joel Raney*

**\*\*Offertory Response:** VU 542 *We Give You but Your Own*

**\*\*Offering Dedication:**

Singing: O God, We've Prayed in Wind and Rain  
O God, we've prayed in wind and rain  
And now we pray once more  
For those who felt the hurricane  
And heard the waters roar.

We pray for those who watched the storm  
Destroy the life they knew,  
Who wait in shelters, tired and worn,  
And wonder what to do.

We thank you, God, for acts of love  
Not bound by race or creed,  
For hands that reach across the flood  
To all who are in need.

We pray for others far away  
Who've seen destruction, too;  
We look beyond ourselves, for they  
Are also loved by you.

We pray that leaders of our land  
Will heed creation's cry,  
And bravely care and take a stand  
For earth and sea and sky.

Where rains flood cities, homes and towns  
May we go out to be  
A witness that your love abounds  
In each community.

## **Prayers of the People**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

#### **Scripture:**

Luke 14:7-14

~ Gail Miner

The Word of God for the People of God  
**Thanks be to God**

#### **Message:**

**The Rewards of the Kin-dom**

~ Rev Sandra Cox

**\*\*Singing:** VU 567 *Will You Come and Follow Me*

**\*\*Blessing:**

**\*\*Parting Song:** VU 420 *Go to the World (vs 1-2)*

#### **Postlude:**

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